

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 TAIPEI 06288 250723Z

14

ACTION EA-09

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 PM-04 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15 CIAE-00 INR-07

NSAE-00 DODE-00 ACDA-05 OES-03 /051 W

----- 114440

R 250220Z SEP 75

FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7144

S E C R E T TAIPEI 6288

JOINT STATE/ DAO MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MMOL, TW

SUBJECT: REPORTED CAF DEVELOPMENT OF IMPROVED
SIDEWINDER MISSILE

REF: STATE 224110

1. EMBASSY BELIEVES "PRODUCTION OF AN IMPROVED MODEL OF THE SIDEWINDER" REFERRED TO IN THE CHINA NEWS ARTICLE IS ACTUALLY A PROGRAM TO CONVERT THE AIM 9B TO AIM 9J. THE "ELECTRONIC ORDNANCE FACTORY" IS NO DOUBT THE CAF 1ST AIR MATERIAL FACILITY (AMA) AT PING TUNG AIR BASE.

2. GROC HAS PURCHASED CONVERSION KITS, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND FIELD TEST EQUIPMENT FROM PHILCO FORD TO CARRY OUT THE PROGRAM. INITIAL CONVERSION OF AIM 9B TO AIM 9E WAS STARTED IN OCTOBER 1973. CONVERSION OF AIM 9B TO AIM 9J WAS SCHEDULED TO START IN AUGUST OF 1975 AND THIS PRESUMABLY PROMPTED ARTICLE IN CHINA NEWS.

3. WE DO NOT CONSIDER THIS PROGRAM AN INDIGENOUS EFFORT. IF FURTHER INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED WE WILL INFORM DEPARTMENT. UNGER

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: REPORTS, MILITARY PLANS, MISSILES, PROGRAMS (PROJECTS)
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 25 SEP 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: buchant0
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975TAIPEI06288
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750332-0442
From: TAIPEI JOINT
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750916/aaaaanwt.tel
Line Count: 52
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 1
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 STATE 224110
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: buchant0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 28 JUL 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <28 JUL 2003 by CunninFX>; APPROVED <24 DEC 2003 by buchant0>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: REPORTED CAF DEVELOPMENT OF IMPROVED SIDEWINDER MISSILE
TAGS: MMOL, TW, CHINESE AIR FORCE
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006